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Cru Stubley, Secretary to the Commission
Public Service Commission of Wisconsin
4822 Madison Yards Way
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Madison, WI 53705-9100

Docket: 6630-CE-317 – Public Comment

Docket Title: Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct and Operate the South Oak Creek Combustion Turbine Project, Consisting of Five Natural Gas-Fired Single-Cycle Combustion Turbines Generating up to 1100 MW total at the South Oak Creek Facility in the City of Oak Creek, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

Dear Secretary Stubley:

I am writing in support of We Energies' plans to build new natural gas infrastructure to serve their customers and businesses.

Wisconsin utilities have an obligation to provide customers power when they need it. Natural gas power plants can run any time of the day and any time of the year, making them a critical part of our state's energy infrastructure.

Although some activists have made negative claims about natural gas, the fact is, natural gas has proven to be a reliable and clean burning fuel. All power plants in Wisconsin, including the natural gas plants proposed by We Energies, must adhere to strict local, state, and federal environmental and health regulations.

I also have concerns with the extreme position put forward by some activists, claiming that utilities should abandon natural gas and simply build more renewable energy. That dangerous plan would leave people across the state in the dark when the sun is not shining and the wind is not blowing. Wisconsinites are best served by an "all of the above" energy portfolio.

The new natural gas infrastructure in Oak Creek will help ensure We Energies is providing power when it is needed, which is key to economic growth not only in Southeast Wisconsin but throughout our great state.

Thank you again for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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David Steffen
State Representative
4th Assembly District

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